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From the section in the Competitive Impact Statement entitled Microsoft's Campaign to Eliminate the Netscape Threat, it seems clear that Microsoft made a well-planned and deliberate attempt to destroy its smaller rival. And it almost succeeded. Netscape would probably not be alive today if it hadn't been bought by AOL. Netscape's own mistakes certainly contributed to its problems, but, as I understand the issue, this shouldn't make any difference. According to our system, Netscape should have been allowed to stand or fall on its own merits, as judged by consumers. It should not have had to work in a manipulated environment that made success essentially impossible.

Yours sincerely,
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